

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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DOCKET NO. 2012-224-C

Docket Summary: Joint Application of AT&T Communications of the Southern States, LLC and AT&T Corp. for Approval of Merger

AT&T Communications of the Southern States, LLC ("AT&T Communications") and AT&T Corp. (jointly, the "Applicants") have filed an Application with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") for approval of a merger of AT&T Communications and various other AT&T affiliates into a single entity -- AT&T Corp. Specifically, AT&T Communications intends to merge all of its assets, including without limitation accounts receivable, customer base, and all certificates and authorizations into AT&T Corp. Further, AT&T Corp. is requesting that the Commission grant it all of the certificates and authorizations AT&T Communications currently has, subject to the same terms and conditions that appear in AT&T Communications' existing certificates and authorizations. The Applicants also request that the Commission waive any "slamming" regulations that arguably would be violated by the merger and that the Commission approve the removal of any local carrier freezes that are necessary to implement the merger. In sum, the Applicants' request, pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 58-9-310, that the Commission issue an order granting approval of the merger of all property, powers, franchises and privileges (including without limitation the merger of AT&T Communications' existing certificates and authorizations to provide services) of AT&T Communications into AT&T Corp. to occur on or about October 31, 2012.

A copy of the Companies' application can be found on the Commission's website at www.psc.sc.gov under Docket No. 2012-224-C. Additionally, a copy of the application is available from the Company's representative Patrick W. Turner, Esquire, AT&T South Carolina, 1600 Williams Street, Suite 5200, Columbia, South Carolina, 29201.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a hearing on the above matter has been scheduled to begin on **Thursday, September 13, 2012, at 10:30 a.m.**, before the Commission in the Commission's Hearing Room at 101 Executive Center Drive, Saluda Building, Columbia, South Carolina 29210.

PLEASE BE ADVISED that pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-9-280, as amended, the Commission will invoke the 120-day period allowed for consideration of this matter.

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter as a party of record with the right of cross-examination, should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure on or before **Friday, July 13, 2012**, and indicate the amount of time required to address the Commission. For the receipt of future Commission correspondence, please include an email address in the Petition to Intervene. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2012-224-C.***

Any person who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing should notify, in writing, the Commission; the Office of Regulatory Staff at 1401 Main Street, Suite 900, Columbia, South Carolina 29201; and the Company's representative at the above address, on or before **Friday, July 13, 2012**, and indicate the amount of time required to address the Commission. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2012-224-C.***

Any person who wishes to be notified of any change in the hearing, but does not wish to present testimony or be a party of record, may do so by notifying the Commission, in writing, at the address below on or before **Friday, July 13, 2012**. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2012-224-C.***

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that any person who wishes to have his or her comments considered as part of the official record of this proceeding **MUST** present such comments in person to the Commission during the hearing.

Persons seeking information about the Commission's procedures should contact the Commission at (803) 896-5100 or visit its website at www.psc.sc.gov.

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